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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98,
Applicant hereby calls to the Examiner's attention the following documents:

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2003-5113, which was published on
January 8, 2003, together with patent family member U.S. Patent No. 6,734,890 to
TAKEUCHI et al., which issued on May 11, 2004;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 2-58015, which was published
on February 27, 1990, together with patent family member U.S. Patent No. 5,181,137 to
KOIDE, which issued on January 19, 1993;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 10-133131, which was published
on May 22, 1998, together with an English language translation of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-182145, which was published
on June 26, 2002, together with an English language Abstract and an English language
translation of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 9-90187, which was published on April 4, 1997, together with an English language Abstract and an English language translation of the same; and

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 10-268217, which was published on October 9, 1998, together with an English language translation of the same. Applicant notes that this document is discussed on page 4 of the specification.

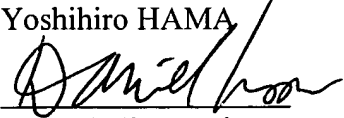
Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patents are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are attached hereto and all of the documents have been listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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